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HISTORIC ARCHEOLOGY RESEARCH PROGRAM AT THE WILLIAM ANTHONY HOTEL SITE (7NC-E-65)



A historic cultural resource mitigation program is being conducted by the Delaware Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, and the Federal Highway Administration in conjunction with Thunderbird Archeological Associates at the Wm. Anthony Hotel site in Stanton, New Castle County, Delaware.

The significance of the Wm. Anthony Hotel site is the archeological data contained within the site. The number of nineteenth century hotel sites is small in comparison to domestic structure sites of all kinds, and none have been investigated previously in Delaware. The text excavations revealed the presence of two (presumed) outbuildings for the main hotel structure that are not otherwise specifically accounted for in maps or documentation. In addition to the foundation features, small pit features were identified and no evidence for plowing was detected, suggesting good potential for the recovery of additional intact archeological features.

